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#### Census Interpretation of the Word "Farm."

Washington, Nov. 13.—What is a farm?

Seems a foolish question to ask, doesn't it? Almost any one can tell off-hand just what a farm is and knows one when he sees it.

But do you happen to know the interpretation Uncle Sam places on the word "farm" for census purposes? No? Then read how his Bureau of the Census defines the word:

"A farm for census purposes is all the land which is directly farmed by one person conducting agricultural operations, either by his own labor or with the assistance of members of his household or hired employees."

In further explanation of this definition the Census Bureau points out that the term "agricultural operations" is used as a general term referring to the work of growing crops, producing other agricultural products and raising domestic animals, poultry or bees.

From this definition it will be seen that a farm may consist of a single tract of land, or of a number of separate and distinct tracts. And these several tracts may be held under different tenures as, for instance, when one tract is owned by the farmer and another is rented by him. Thus if a man who owns 100 acres an additional ten acres from another source and operates both the one and the ten acres, then "farm" includes both tracts of a completing 110 acres.

By the same token when a land owner has one or more tenants, renters, croppers or managers, each different tract of land operated by any such tenant, renter, cropper or manager is considered a separate and distinct farm by the Census Bureau, or, to give an example, if a man owning 120 acres of land rents 40 acres to a tenant and farms the remaining 80 acres himself, his farm is the 80 acres which he operates, not the 120 acres which he owns, while the 40 acre tract which he rents to a tenant comprises a separate farm to be reported in the name of the tenant.

Another question to be determined is how important does an agricultural enterprise have to be in order to secure recognition in the census as a farm? A small vegetable garden or a chicken yard accommodating a few hens will not be allowed to qualify as a "farm" in the census no matter with what pardonable pride and satisfaction the proprietor may view his agricultural enterprise.

But if the garden or chicken yard expands until it covers not less than three acres of ground, or until it requires for its care the continuous services of at least one person, or yields products annually to the value of \$250 or more, it comes within the census definition of a farm and will be recognized as such and counted.

The agriculture schedule contains many questions regarding farm values, expenses and live stock as well as the acreage and quantity of crops raised in the year 1919. Census Bureau officials are urging farmers everywhere to prepare for the census enumerator by looking over their books and records so that accurate answers may be furnished to questions.

In this connection the Bureau of the Census emphasizes the fact that the information furnished to census takers is absolutely confidential, made so by Act of Congress, and that under no circumstances can any such information be used as a basis for taxation.

"Co-operation between farmers and the census officials next January is more necessary now than ever before," declares Director of the Census Sam L. Rogers. "The world war and the part that the farmer

played in it and will continue to play in the rehabilitation of Europe serve to make the agriculture section of the Fourteenth Decennial Census the most important in the Nation's history. Absolute accuracy and completeness in this census returns is the goal toward which every citizen should strive."

#### DISCHARGED NEGRO SOLDIER TO TRIAL FOR MURDER.

Waxahatchie, Texas, James Lockett (a Negro), was placed on trial in the district court this afternoon on a charge of murder in connection with the death of his wife near Effris, Sept. 11, 1915. Lockett escaped immediately after the crime and was not arrested until a few months ago when it was learned he was to be discharged from the army at Camp Zachary Taylor, Louisville, Ky. Officers were waiting to place him under arrest when he received his formal discharge.

Lockett is accused of stabbing his wife to death during a quarrel.

#### OMAHA BACK TO NORMAL.

Law and Order Again Where Riot and Murder Held City in Its Grasp.

Omaha, Neb., Nov. 13.—Nobody can ever forget the recent experience Omaha had with the cowardly pack which overthrew temporarily the rule of law and order and substituted in its stead jungle rule and blood-lust. Nobody can ever forget Sunday night, September 23. That wild, turbulent ten hours when anarchy and passion and hate were in the ascendency, and Will Brown, with out trial, and without hearing, declaring his innocence until the last, was murdered by his fellows. Nobody will ever forget the brave heroic stand of our red-blooded Mayor Smith who was willing to give his life as a sacrifice to his oath of office and his determination that mob rule should not have sway in our fair city. Nobody will ever forget smoke and flames that arose over our \$2,000,000 court house as the mad mob danced and shouted about the fire that it had set. No, nobody can ever forget those hours when savagery ruled, and Omaha, was conquered.

Those who read The Monitor will doubtless remember the editorial called "The Glory of the Conquered." A chastened and ashamed Omaha took the first step in the vindication of her honor. She lost no time in arresting those suspected of murder and assault and arson. The names held for investigation ran into the hundreds, and real Omaha, declared that the punishment of outraged justice should be swift and sure. The first step in the vindication of her honor had been taken—a grand jury sat in secret and the world waited to see what it would do. Law and democracy prayed for its allegiance to righteousness and cohesion and duty, and violence and anarchy desired it should cater to the forces of evil dissolution and falsehood.

The grand jury reports its first eight true bills, and the charges are murder and assault and arson. The jury continues to sit and evidence and with this sample of how it is doing its duty we feel safe in saying that Omaha has taken her second step in the vindication of her honor.

The third step is the trial and conviction. If she fails not here who will have met and answered fully her testing time. Here will indeed be the glory of an Americanism that is not a myth and institutions and government that are real and stable.

#### TALLEST MAN KILLED.

(Associated Negro Press). Lake Charles, La., Nov. 13.—Isiah Moss, Negro, 6 feet 7 inches tall, being the tallest man, white or black, in the state, was shot and killed. He was learned here at Fulton. A Negro woman did the shooting and later surrendered to Sheriff Martin of Dequard Parish.

### GOVERNOR OF ALABAMA SPEAKS AT TUSKEGEE.

Tuskegee Institute, Ala., Nov. 13.—

The following extract from an address delivered at Tuskegee Institute, on the day set apart for the honoring of Booker T. Washington the great American who founded that institution by the Hon. Emmett O'Neal, ex-governor of Alabama.

"Among those millions none responded more loyally than the Colored man, and now that the war is won, no one can deny that the Negro race, by its patriotism, its loyalty to the flag, its generous contribution to Liberty loans and Red Cross funds and other war activities has now earned and won a high place than ever before in the confidence and respect and sympathy of the country."

"All races and creeds, the white man, the yellow man, and the black man, stood side by side in the fight for liberty and no one can deny that the Negro Race measured up in patriotism, in courage and loyalty to the full demands of American citizenship. It can be said to their everlasting credit that they were never infected by the poison German propaganda; that they affiliated with no league or organization seeking to overthrow established authority, or to substitute for the Stars and Stripes the red flag of bolshevism and of anarchy. That vast battalions, stretching from the Marne and Chateau Thierry to Sedan, will always be every American's consecrated ground, where the heroic self-sacrifice, and where the white man and the black man, following self-sacrifice, and following a common flag, and inspired by a common ideal, bled and died that the world might be free."

#### A. M. E. CONFERENCE MEETS.

(Associated Negro Press). Washington, Pa., Nov. 13.—Speaking before the Pittsburgh Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal church here, Rev. S. S. Norris of the First A. M. E. church, of Norfolk, Va., said:

"During the period of reconstruction through which the nation is passing, I believe the African Methodist church, which for more than 100 years has stood for manhood, equality, liberty, brotherhood and democracy, has come to the kingdom for such a time as this. The challenge to the church is to prepare, by comprehensive training, the youth for Christian citizenship in all phases. The church should inaugurate a propaganda of education that will effectively reach the boys and girls of the race, bringing out dependable qualities of leadership; a propaganda of education that will send them as missionaries to the less fortunate of their brethren in Africa, the islands of the sea, as well as at home. The principal agency in this training must be the Bible—that infallible and inerrant word of God—which satisfies and ratifies the highest and best desires and impulses of mankind."

The election of delegates to the general conference of the church to meet in St. Louis, next May resulted in the choice of the following: Rev. R. H. Bumby, Pittsburgh; President Elder H. H. Butler, of Washington and Rev. J. M. Wheeler of Pittsburgh. The five alternates names were Rev. W. J. Jarvis, Monessen; Rev. J. E. Morris, Pittsburgh; Rev. R. H. Morris, Pittsburgh; Dr. P. A. Scott, Washington, and Rev. H. C. Payne, Pittsburgh.

#### BUCKET OF MUD KILLS MAN.

(Associated Negro Press). Richmond, Va., Nov. 13.—Scott Brown, Colored, about fifty years of age, died at the Memorial Hospital from injuries received when a bucket of mud fell and struck him while he was employed in digging a well near Roxbury.

### GENERAL NEWS

(Associated Negro Press). Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 13.—Rev. Wm. Mack Lee, the Negro cook and body servant of Gen. Robert E. Lee was one of the proudest veterans attending the reunion of Confederate veterans here.

(Associated Negro Press). Chattanooga, Tenn., Nov. 13.—Will Washington, Negro convicted a few days ago for the murder of O. J. Carlson, aged Swedish gardener of Walden, Ridge, confessed to the murder and implicated three white men, according to criminal court officials.

(Associated Negro Press). Xenia, Ohio, Nov. 13.—The East Marquette High School of this city has been condemned by the building inspectors and a campaign is in progress by the citizens to provide a new building for this community.

(Associated Negro Press). Dothan, Ala., Nov. 13.—A. Turner, Colored, restaurant proprietor was tried in Mayor's Court on a charge of carrying a concealed pistol and was given a fine of \$100 or 30 days on the streets. He appealed the case. On being questioned as to why he was carrying the pistol, he said, "for protection."

(Associated Negro Press). Montgomery, Ala., Nov. 13.—The department of Education of Alabama of which Hon. Spright Dowdell is Superintendent has appointed G. W. Trenholm, State Supervisor of Teacher Training in Colored schools. Prof. Trenholm was for a number of years State Conductor of Teacher's Institute for Colored, and was founder and principal for twenty years of Tusculum high school, Tusculum, Ala.

Detroit, Mich., Nov. 13.—Mme E. Azallé Hackley, the well-known producer of folk songs, is recovering from a three months' illness and is yet confined to the home of her sister. As soon as her health will permit, Mme. Hackley expects to go to Washington for the winter. Mme. Florence Cole Talbert, well known soprano singer of this city will begin an Eastern tour in December, following which the first tour will be made to the Pacific Coast.

(Associated Negro Press). Toledo, Ohio, Nov. 13.—Mayor Scheiber urged co-operation to rid the city of lawlessness in an address of welcome to Walter F. White of New York, assistant secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, who spoke to more than 1,000 Toledo Negroes in Zenobia Hall.

Mr. White declared the Negro problem has become a national problem and that the Curtis resolution in the Senate and the Dyer resolution in the house, demanding an investigation of mob violence and lynching, would be passed. He closed by an appeal for justice for all men and the only solution for the problem was on the basis of justice to all men.

(Associated Negro Press). Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 13.—The Negro Investors' Guide published here has opened a department containing the names and addresses and capital value of stock of all Negro business men. The object is to create a demand for Negro security.

York, Pa., Nov. 13.—The twenty-fifth annual meeting of the Afro-American Presbyterian Council ministers, elders and lay delegates, was held at Faith Presbyterian church this city. Rev. W. E. Williams, D. D., minister and he brought to York many of the most prominent Colored church workers in the country. The local committees entertained a large number of visitors.

Burlington, N. J., Nov. 13.—A number of the representative Colored men of Burlington gathered in the Clarkson Street Hall, at St. Mary and Clarkson Streets, and organized a new society which will be known as the Roosevelt Welfare League. The object of the league, as its name implies, is to promote the social and industrial conditions of the Colored people of this city.

Among the leaders in the movement are Samuel Chase, S. W. Ward, Richard Burnley, S. W. Taylor, Rev. C. H. Brown, Abram Spencer, Dr. A. Lee Perry Henson, Budd Robinson and several others who are equally enthusiastic over the work in hand.

(Associated Negro Press). Chicago, Nov. 13.—For an inspirational example of unity, progress and success, the new Chicago Business League, established here recently, is being watched throughout the country. It is expected that the League will raise a budget of more than \$100,000 to promote its work and create a larger interest in Race enterprises. There is a desire to cooperate with all people who show a disposition to be friendly and particularly the white business people in the Colored district who employ Colored help. The officers of the League are: President, David McGowan; First Vice-President, T. W. Chavlan; Second Vice-President, Wm. R. Cowan; Recording Secretary, F. V. Babb; Treasurer, George H. Walker; Board of Directors, Claude A. Barnett, C. C. Cyrus, G. W. Johnson, Wm. Adams, H. B. Saunders, C. E. McNeil; J. A. Harper and David M. Mamm.

The temporary executive offices of the League are at the famous Appomattox Club.

#### SUPREME COURT REVERSES JUDGMENT.

(Associated Negro Press). Jeffersonville, Ind., Nov. 13.—The Supreme Court of Indiana has reversed a judgment rendered in the Clark Circuit Court three years ago in favor of Nathaniel Marable against the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Railway Company. Marable was a porter employed on the Pennsylvania lines and on the ground he was required to discharge the same duties as a white brakeman, he sued for the difference in pay, covering a period of seven years and was given a verdict for \$3,662.00. Reversal is on the ground there was no expressed or implied promise of additional pay for extra work done within the hours for which he was paid the stipulated wages. The lower court is directed to enter judgment in favor of the railway on answers to interrogatories. A number of smaller suits were filed, but this is the first in which judgment has been given upon appeal.

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### BISHOP THURFIELD SPEAKS.

(Associated Negro Press). Boston, Mass., Nov. 13.—Bishop Wilbur P. Thurfield, of New Orleans, speaking at the monthly meeting of the Boston Methodist Social Union at Hamilton hall, People's Temple, declared that if the American Negro is cast from society a gigantic world war between the black and white races will result.

As a means of bringing the Negro race into closer relationship with the Anglo-Saxons, he advocated the election of Negro Methodist bishops. "There are 350,000 Colored people in our church," he continued. "What would be contrary to the New Testament; it would mean a race church, and we would forget the teachings of Jesus Christ. We know full well that the Colored races tend to unite and imagine the terrible calamity which would ensue if all the Colored races in the world joined."

### GOV. DORSEY SPEAKS TO THRIFT CLUB.

(Associated Negro Press). Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 13.—Gov. High M. Dorsey addressed a largely attended meeting on the gospel of thrift at the First Congregational church, Colored. There were representatives from the Colored schools and business organizations, from all over the city.

The signing was an attractive feature of the evening. The governor complimented the Colored race on its progress in material things and referred to their increase in farm acreage and to the property of their business organizations. He, however, urged upon his hearers greater thrift. He pointed out that thrift meant more than economy in money matters; it meant economy of time and energy. The cultivation of thrift meant the development of character.

Dr. H. H. Proctor presided and urged upon the audience the cultivation of thrift as a racial asset in the present crisis.

### Y. M. C. A. CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED.

(Associated Negro Press). Norfolk, Va., Nov. 13.—The Colored Y. M. C. A. campaign to raise \$5,000 for extension of "Y" Work among Colored people of Norfolk, was launched with a meeting in the lobby of the associatin building on Queen Street. An interesting program was carried out after which first reports of campaign workers showed a total of \$602 had been raised of which \$308.50 was cashed.

### COLORED DEMOCRATIC ASSOCIATION ENTERTAINS.

(Associated Negro Press). Brooklyn, N. Y., Nov. 13.—Last night witnessed another one of the many entertainments and receptions that have been given by the Regular Colored Democratic Association at their clubrooms in Tammany Hall, located at Bridge and Willoughby streets. A programme was rendered by members of the club who sang songs and recited poems and gave greetings to the Democratic candidates who returned their speeches by a word of thanks.

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## REV. STINSON SPEAKS.

Clarksville, W. Va., Nov. 13.—Before the West Virginia annual conference of the African Methodist Episcopal church, Bishop Joshua A. Jones, presiding; Rev. R. D. Stinson, of Atlanta, delivered an address on the proper education for the Negro masses. He told of the progress of the Negro in the South since the war and how the Negro success. He said that time is required in laying the foundations of a race. Some of the speaker's statements were criticised by Dr. J. M. Henderson, who said that the Northern Negroes do not take well to the doctrine which the south and the Booker Washington attitude held out.

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